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SUBJECT: REACTIONS TO TRADE REFORM ACT

1. WHILE MOST OF GOM'S HIGH OFFICIALS WITH WHOM WE HAVE DISCUSSED TRA UNDERSTAND MATTER FAR BETTER THAN PRESS, ALMOST EVERYONE EXPRESSES MISGIVINGS OVER POTENTIAL RESTRICTIVE EFFECTS OF NEW LEGISLATION. IT IS OUR IMPRESSION THAT APART FROM GSP, POWERS GIVEN TO PRESIDENT TO RESTRICT IMPORTS UNDER VARIOUS SPECIFIED CONDITIONS DO NOT DIFFER MARKEDLY FROM THOSE ALREADY EXISTING IN PREVIOUS LEGISLATION, BUT WE DO NOT HAVE HARD FACTS AVAILABLE.

2. EMBASSY OFFICERS HAVE FREQUENT OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE PRESS INTERVIEWS AND TALKS TO VARIUS GROUPS ON TRA. IN ADDITION, EMBASSY E/C COUNSELOR PARTICIPATING IN WIDELY PUBLICIZED TWO-DAY (MARCH 5 AND 6) SEMINAR ON TRA ARRANGED BY INSTITUTO MEXICANO DEL DESARROLLO.

3. WE WOULD FIND MOST USEFUL A SUMMARY COMPARISON OF RESTRICTIVE POWERS, CONFERRED ON PRESIDENT BY TRA WITH POWERS HE ALREADY POSSESSED UNDER PREVIOUS LEGISLATION.

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